

# A Short History of Volafire

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## Dedication

This is dedicated to all the past and future Volafire users who used the site in the spirit it was intended. You might not be recorded in here now (or in the future) but hopefully the site has brought you some good times and reading this makes you feel just a little closer to everyone at Volafire. Go upload some more files and stay outta trouble.

–bbaka

# Introduction

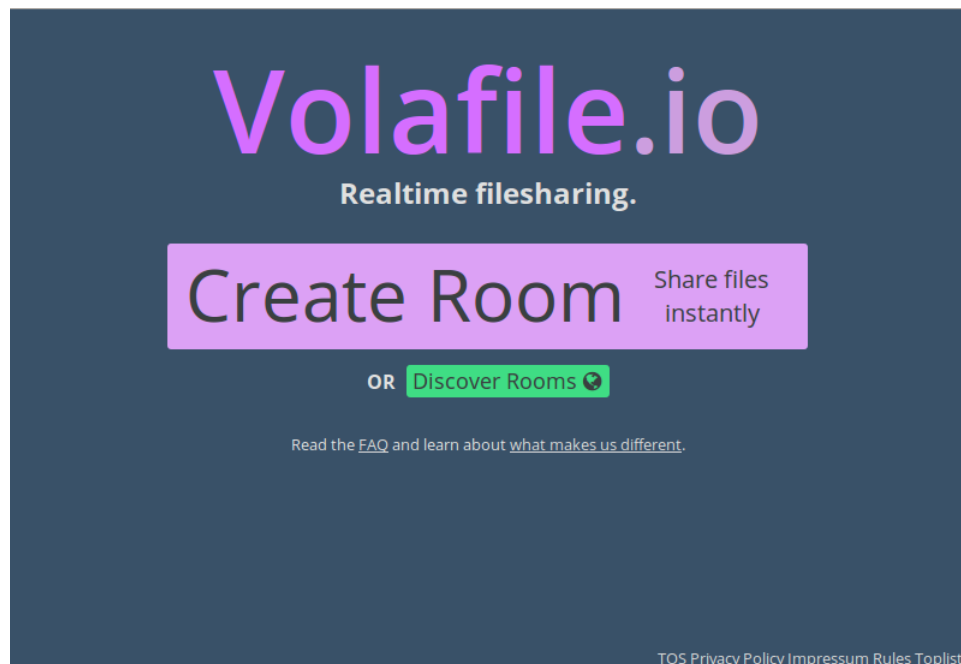
Volafile is a free, anonymous filesharing service created by a young German fellow named Nils.

It may be less than a year old, but it has shared a lively history thanks to it's users (and a few bugs).

Some of the more notable events in it's history (and some of the less) are contained within these pages.

Whether this account of history is actually worth reading, I leave it up to you.

enjoy.

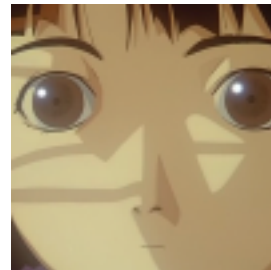


# Chapter 1

## History

### 1.1 Creation

One day a guy called Lainex from Germany decided he wanted to make a neat file sharing site, so he did got to work and made one.



Lain-chan

### 1.2 First Appearance

While many users believe Volatile first appeared during September 2013, it was actually first tested in June of that same year. This version was hacked together with a chatango client and some duct tape. It was first linked posted in a thread on 4chan's /a/ board.

[insert original.png here]

## 1.3 September Beta Launch

After running many tests on his lonesome and with a small group of users (back in June), Lainex created a thread on 4chan's /g/ board.

A simple picture of Yuki Nagato holding a mouse in the air with the words “File Sharing thread” was in the OP and a link to a room named /g/entoomen was provided.<sup>1</sup>

And thus Volafire came to life.



The Original Thread

## 1.4 Volafire gets a new server AKA Whoops! Finland-Chan overloaded the server!

(Ask Lain probably happened between oct-dec.) Yui decided it would be a good idea to upload as much as he could to the Volafire servers, resulting in the hilarious situation of the servers running out of harddrive space. Users were unable to upload any files to the full servers and Volafire's filesharing ground to a stand still. Shortly after this incident Lain decided to invest in a second file storage server for Volafire, a number which has grown over time to four.

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<sup>1</sup>Little known fact, the the real original thread was deleted rather quickly and an identical thread was created in it's place about 10 minutes later.

## 1.5 Hacker News Invasion

It was November 4th and Lain felt that he was ready for some more users, he decided it would be a good idea to make himself a thread on Hacker News<sup>2</sup>.

What resulted from this was the servers being pushed to max capacity as hundreds of curious people invaded Volafire. Lain was forced to limit the max users per room to 300 and then to 100 as users spilled out from their Hacker News Volaroom and into the /g/entoomen room (and others) in order to prevent his poor servers from overloading.

## 1.6 The Great Japanese Immigration

One day out of the blue, Volafire received an influx of unexpected visitors, the Japanese. As it turns out a popular Japanese blog had discovered Volafire and written an article about it, this obviously caused the eyes of many Japanese to turn on Volafire. A decent portion of /g/entoomen being filthy weebies (at the time), they of course were both overjoyed and highly amused as the Japanese users attempted to communicate with them.

## 1.7 A new invader appears, Morocco attacks!

I'm not going to write this right now, but I'm pretty sure it was mostly Moroccans that invaded that one time. I think.

## 1.8 The Disappearance of Haru Radio-tan<sup>3</sup>

A much beloved feature of Volafire, Radio-tan was first added in early November 2013. She could often be heard chanting "Onii-Chan" in various ways and would always let us know what song she was singing next.

Worth noting is her dedication to singing whatever the users uploaded, even when endless hordes of David Bowie songs were added to her playlist she never gave up.

Her knack for picking the right song for occasion was impeccable, often surprising the chat with her topical song choices, leading some to believe she

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<sup>2</sup>The post in question

<sup>3</sup>Rest in Peace

was being controlled by a mysterious onlooker.

While historians debate the exact date of Radio-tan's disappearance, but they all agree it was sometime during March 2014.



## 1.9 Registered Nicknames, or How Volafile Learned To Stop Samefagging and Love Persistant Identities<sup>4</sup>

Feb something arather. Lain added a registration system to Volafile allowing users to register nicknames. Registered nicks are shown in the chat as a dark green colour. Following this update, Lain also removed the authcode system for moderators, instead tying moderator status to registered accounts.<sup>5</sup> While it seems like such a system would prevent users from continuing to samefag<sup>6</sup> it is still an occasional occurrence as some users prefer to note register their nicknames (as well as the fact that there are registered nicknames who have had their passwords shared.)

## 1.10 sekret klubs 101: How to start a shit storm. Also known as Lain adds Private Rooms

I'm gona write some stuff about secret clubs here mmk

## 1.11 The Beginning of the Great Loli Prohibition

yui and yuki left (kind of) Dark times descended upon Volafile when Lain decreed that lolicon shalt be banned. Chaos reigns and lots of people get mad at the mods while the mods got mad at lots of people.

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<sup>4</sup>Just kidding

<sup>5</sup>This made me quite the happy moderator

<sup>6</sup>Use the same nickname as another user in order to deceive others, usually to make the actual nickname user look like an idiot.

## 1.12 Olafire

March 24th Volafire become Olafire (bbaka pls remember to elaborate and add pictures k thanks)

# Chapter 2

## Notable Rooms

### 2.1 /g/entoomen

The one and only, longest active room on site, it averages 35 users most days, peaks around 40-50 and never seems to drop below 20. Named after the /g/entoomen torrent of ebooks released by the irc channel #/g/sicp.<sup>1</sup> Almost all the notable users listed later in this book are current or past regulars of the /g/entoomen room. Definantly the room which has generated the most content and history over it's lifetime, the day it dies will probably be the day Lain shuts down Volafire.<sup>2</sup>

### 2.2 Hacker News

While quite lively during the Hacker News Invasion currently it spends most of it's time as an empty reminder of what once was. DaVinci has a strange habit of uploading tech .pdfs in it regardless of whether people notice or not.

### 2.3 read this if there are no other notable rooms

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<sup>1</sup>which is itself a branch of users from 4chan's /g/ board

<sup>2</sup>Or accidently deletes it off the server

# Chapter 3

## Notable Users

Volafire has had hundreds of users over it's lifetime, many are remembered for various reasons, not all of them good, but most of them amusing.

### 3.1 Moderators

#### Lain

Creator of Volafire, currently runs the site from his homebase in Germany. Used to go by the name of System. Known for suddenly appearing in chat and telling everyone he is about to restart the servers, throwing the chat into disarray. Also known for removing Radio-tan, implementing unrequested features at random (while ignoring the requested ones<sup>1</sup>) and having a pretty kawaii German accent.

#### PTC

Likes shekels, known to be trollish. PTC was the first person to help Lain with the development of Volafire, having met Lain beforehand when PTC posted a site he had made in a thread on /g/. Lain proceeded to troll PTC's thread and eventually an unbreakable<sup>2</sup> friendship was formed.

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<sup>1</sup>Just kidding Lain don't hurt me pls

<sup>2</sup>probably

## **bbaka**

First mod to be appointed during the September beta, and the authour of this historical account. Known for being from New Zealand and being on site 24/7. Beloved by most and heckled by others, he spends far too much time on Volafile. Catchphrase: “Yo, 'Sup”

## **God**

God is known for the now infamous incident involving him pasting his auth-code into the chat, allowing users to authenticate themselves as mods. Thankfully the users restrained themselves from malicious actions. God is no longer on site and has retired as a moderator.

## **lg188**

Volafile’s proverbial dark knight, lg188 was known for moderating Volafile with what was on occasion, an iron fist. Hated by some for his strong pursuit of justice, he was not one to shy away from the abuse of users. Some viewed his methods as going too far, while others believed them within the bounds of acceptable moderation. As of present day, lg188 has retired from moderating by his own choice and still frequents /g/entoomen.

## **DaVinci**

Long time user and more recently moderator, DaVinci is known for his sporadic outbursts of text, which are to some, nonsense. Probably the oldest user on site, his sage advice includes such things along the lines of: “Don’t fuck that guy’s daughter when he is contracting you for thousands of dollars worth of work.”

## **Yui**

Known as being one of Volafile worst moderators, Yui was known on occasion to link /b/ to Volafile rooms while baiting for CP and Lolis. Despite this fact he has not been perma-banned and is beloved by some users. Once managed to get the Volafile mumble to beg him to speak for almost an hour due to his kawaii accent. Demodded by Lain in late 2013 after being a mod for about 2 weeks due to his various rule bending and breaking escapades. Hangs around Volafile to this day occasionally stirring up trouble; yet is seen by most users as a devilish rouge of sorts.

Also known as: Finland-chan, Alice

## **eee**

eee is a veteran user of Volafile and while she has disappeared from the site for months at a time, continues to visit the site sporadically. Famous for the BEARSBEARSBEARS incident in which she concocted a script which when uploaded to Volafile, caused the chat to be spammed with the words “BEARSBEARSBEARS”<sup>3</sup>

eee was a moderator who was not often in the spotlight, and is currently retired from the position.

Currently known for lusting after a bewildered (but reciprocal) bbaka, the BEARSBEARSBEARS incident is forgotten by most.

## **GankPlank**

Known for liking: K-On

## **Dead**

## **Lasol**

Also known as: Iaso

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<sup>3</sup>For more information look it up in the notable events section.

### **3.1.1 Users**

#### **NTimeForLove**

Rest in peace

Also known as: radio

#### **Panacea**

/pol/ incarnate richfag mlp fanfic authour etc Also known as: Jesus christ  
how can one guy be so annoying

#### **nonfagget (currently known as bsdfggt)**

Resident Venezuelan, lives in dangerous times. Helps everyone remember to check their first world privilages. Known for pasting news articles into the chat and getting mad about them, as well as for having terrible internet speeds.

#### **MercWMouth**

Resident /b/tard and self proclaimed “meme addict”, known for being a pain in the ass and uploading files with a large amount of tags.

#### **Triggu**

Currently known as: pet

#### **Vaporeon**

Currently Volafire’s number 1 uploader, with over 2.5 Terrabytes (7164 files) uploaded. “just write Vaporeon - coolest guy ” (More like lamest guy)

#### **Anon007**

Currently Volafire’s number 2 uploader, with over 2.2 Terrabytes (2073 files) uploaded.

## **Kurono**

Volafle's former number 1 (now number 4), with over 1.5 Terrabytes (2845 files) uploaded. Currently known as Sabio because he forgot his password<sup>4</sup>, so he currently sits well below his old throne.

## **gnusuks**

he made the first css theme and did some scripts and shit

## **faggleader**

Volafle's resident master trole, faggleader is known for his penchant for multiple nicknames and his anti bullying policy. One of lg188's critics, faggleader jumped with joy when Lain implemented private rooms and created his own "sekrit klub" to escape from what he saw as tyranny and bullying.<sup>5</sup>  
Also known as: Mayoi, cat, superhacker, snoopdog, batman, moderator, bongo, sex, newguy, volafriend, snoopblogg, snooplogg, snoopfrogg  
Currently known as: cat

## **NSF001**

Why was this made "it was also the day everyone learned we can all log into the same account " "this is the only true anonymous account " "if you played deus ex you know the password "

## **4age**

## **Akkarin**

## **Anon3000**

## **Anon777**

## **Anon8122**

## **Apha**

Also known as: Aphaean

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<sup>4</sup>What a silly thing to do

<sup>5</sup>To read more on this, find the section on "sekrit klubs" in the notable events section.



**Auxo**

**BigSp00n**

**Bucyrus**

**Bunn**

**Cyberia**

**DELTA38**

**Dad**

**DonQuixote**

**Esoterical**

Also known as: Eupraxia

**GNUsuks**

**Ganondorf**

Also known as: GNUAnon

**Green**

Also known as: IGreenNow

**Hedonekun**

**KRONOR**

### **3.1.2 Electra**

**Kratos**

**Lancer**

**Laplace**

**Nestor**

**Otrera**

**Patchon**

Also known as: Chen

**Red**

**TRM**

**Wawawwwaw**

**Yukari**

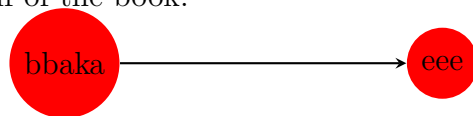
**Yuki**

Also known as: Chinatsu, llllllllll

## Chapter 4

# Features Changelog

What follows will attempt to be a rough yet accurate changelog of features on Volafile. For some of the history behind these changes, look at the front half of the book.



# Chapter 5

## Credits

I forgot the proper name for this kind of section I guess I'll fix it later.  
People who helped so far:

eee

Yui

Lain

faggleader

NSF001

Anon007

Triggu

